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1. The Interministerial Economic Committee* of the USSR is composed of representatives of fourteen ministries, of which the principal ones are:

Ministry of Foreign Trade
Ministry of Finance**
Ministry of Ferrous Metallurgy
Ministry of Non-ferrous Metallurgy
Ministry of Aviation Industry
Ministry of Fisheries** ***
Ministry of Meat and Dairy Industry**
Ministry of Textile Industry**
Ministry of War
Ministry of Agriculture**

2. The President of the Interministerial Economic Committee is always the representative of the Ministry of Foreign Trade. At the present time it is Minister of Foreign Trade Menshikov, who replaced Mikoyan.

3. The Ministry of Foreign Trade includes a certain number of subdivisions, of which the principal ones are:

Export and Import Directorate (the most important). It is composed of two sections, one the Export and the other the Import Section.***
Organization and Personnel Directorate
Accounting Directorate
Assets and Liabilities (bilan des comptes) Directorate
Transport Directorate
Statistics Directorate
Customs Directorate
Directorate of Surveillance of Warehouses

At the head of these directorates are directors, of whom three or four (particularly the one for the Export-Import Directorate) have the rank of deputy minister.

4. The trade representations of the USSR abroad are agencies of the Ministry of Foreign Trade. The Interministerial Economic Committee has a representative attached to each trade representation abroad in the section known as the Information Section of the trade representation.

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5. Bider is a Polish Jew who has studied at the School of Political Science at Moscow. A few years prior to 1939, he was one of the five directors of Amtorg. He subsequently became the head of the Information Section of the Soviet Trade Representation in Washington.***

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- * It is believed [redacted] the Economic Council, an administrative organ of the Council of Ministers, the present existence of which has heretofore been listed as uncertain.

** A Union-Republic ministry rather than an All-Union ministry.

*** There is no single Ministry of Fisheries. There is a Ministry of Fish Industry of the Eastern Regions and a Ministry of Fish Industry of the Western Regions.

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**** [redacted] the Ministry of Foreign Trade includes an Export Directorate and an Import Directorate, rather than a single Export-Import Directorate divided into two sections.

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***** [redacted] Bider (also reported as Eines) was Chief of the Soviet Trade Representation in Paris in September 1948.

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